GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES
LOK SABHA

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LOAN TO SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES BY WORLD BANK
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Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a): whether the World Bank has granted a loan of approximately 120 million U.S. dollars for development of small and medium scale industries in India;

(b): if so, the details thereof;

(c): whether the tribal and minorities areas and also small scale industries being run by women are proposed to be provided the benefit of reservation in utilization of the said loan;

(d): if so, the details thereof; and

(e): the percentage of funds proposed to be allocated to Maharashtra?

Answer

MINISTER OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES & AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD)

(a)&(b): Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) is implementing a World Bank-led multi-agency/multi-activity projects on financing and development of small and medium enterprises

(SMEs). The World Bank has approved a loan of 120 million US dollars under the credit facility of the project. The facility primarily provides long-term credit to SMEs for capital formation and technological upgradation.

(c)to(e): Under theWorld Bank Line of Credit (LOC), no category- wise/State-wise allocation of funds has been made. All eligible proposals, including those of women, tribal and minority applicants are provided credit under the project. Of the 13 branches of SIDBI, which operate the LOC, 2 branches are located in Maharashtra.